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		Respectfully submitted,				
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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly replace claims 1, 7, 8 and 11 with the following.

Claim 1. (Amended)

A digital communication device for correcting transmission path characteristics containing noise transmitted from a plurality of half-duplex communication devices via a half-duplex transmission path, said device comprising:

a near-end cross talk (NEXT) noise coefficient table, in which are stored equalizing coefficients of equalizers for correcting characteristics of a

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